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(54) **Container packaging machine**

(57) A machine (10) for packaging multiple containers wherein a flexible carrier stock (15) is fed across a jaw drum (40). A plurality of containers are also moved through the machine (10) whereby the carrier is subsequently positioned over the plurality of containers so that

flexible carrier stock (15) engages with the containers to form a package. The machine (10) is adjustable to accommodate a range of container heights and sizes, carrier configurations and/or package sizes. In addition, movement of the various components of the machine (10) is coordinated using an encoder.

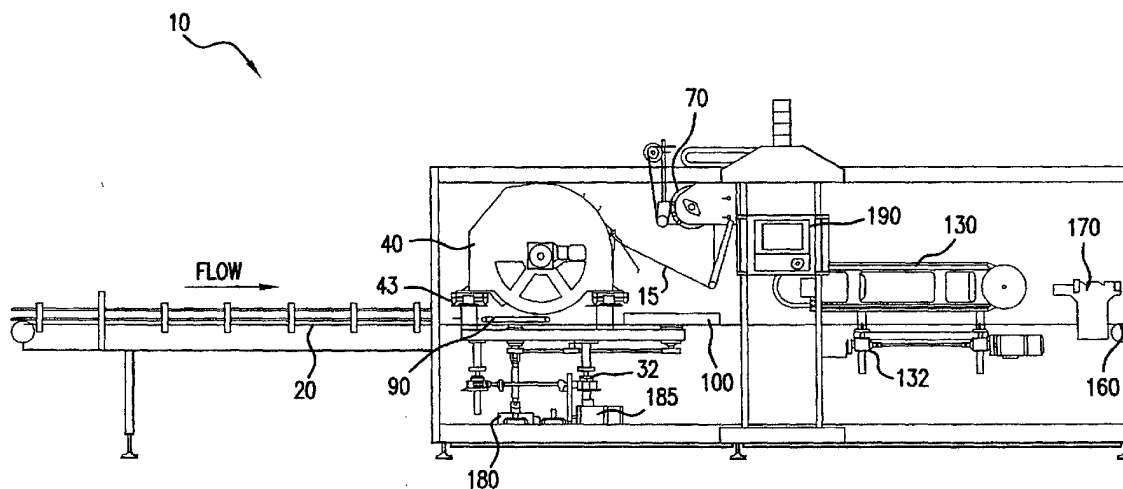


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